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AN ACID BATH FOR THE ELECTRODEPOSITION OF GLOSSY GOLD AND For: GOLD ALLOY LAYERS AND A GLOSS ADDITIVE FOR SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to or concurrent with calculation of the filing fees, please amend the claims (as earlier amended during the Preliminary Examination Stage and accompanying the Preliminary Examination Report) as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Applicants have attached to this Amendment documents entitled "Amended Claims" and "Marked-Up Copy of Previous Claims". Please replace claims 3 - 4 and 6 with amended claims 3 - 4 and 6 as shown in the document entitled "Amended Claims".